

COMMON COUNCIL

January 24, 2022

The Common Council met in a regular meeting on January 24, 2022, at 7:00 P.M. in the Council Chambers, 301 East Clinton Street, Frankfort, Indiana.

Mayor Judy Sheets called the meeting to order and led the assembly in the Pledge of Allegiance. Upon roll call, the following members were present: Mayor Judy Sheets, Steve Beardsley, Mike Brite, Brandt Fuller, Joe Palmer, Megan Sheets, Clarence Warthan, and Eric Woods. Also present were Clerk-Treasurer Carol Bartley and City Attorney Les Bergum.

MINUTES: The minutes for the January 10, 2022, regular meeting were presented. Councilmember Woods made a motion to approve the minutes from the January 10, 2022 meeting, seconded by Councilmember Sheets. Upon a roll call vote, six ayes were recorded. Councilmember Brite abstained. Motion carried 6-0.

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

None

ORDINANCE 22-01: ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION ORDINANCE NO. 22-01

Councilmember Palmer made a motion to read ordinance 22-01 by title only, seconded by Councilmember Warthan. Upon a roll call vote, seven ayes were recorded. Motion carried 7-0. Clerk-Treasurer Carol Bartley read the title of the ordinance.

Mayor Sheets advised the council that this ordinance was to cover additional PERF funds and also add \$50,000.00 for dump fees.

Councilmember Sheets made a motion to pass ordinance 22-01 on first reading, seconded by Councilmember Woods. Upon a roll call vote, seven ayes were recorded. Motion carried 7-0.

ORDINANCE 22-02: AN ORDINANCE AMENDING AND RESTATING ORDINANCE NO. 21-15 SETTING THE SALARIES AND HOURLY WAGES FOR EMPLOYEES OF THE CIVIL CITY OF FRANKFORT, INDIANA

Councilmember Palmer made a motion to read ordinance 22-02 by title only, seconded by Councilmember Woods. Upon a roll call vote, seven ayes were recorded. Motion carried 7-0. Clerk-Treasurer Carol Bartley read the title of the ordinance.

Mayor Sheets advised the board that this ordinance is to add three full-time employees to the sanitation department.

Councilmember Palmer made a motion to pass ordinance 22-02 on first reading, seconded by Councilmember Warthan. Upon a roll call vote, seven ayes were recorded. Motion carried 7-0.

OLD BUSINESS:

Councilmember Brite advised the board that Nancy Elsea and the Clinton County Humane Society were very happy with the donation the council had given them for 2022 and he wanted to pass on their thanks.

NEW BUSINESS

Street Department Superintendent Jason Forsythe invited the council to attend the ribbon cutting for the Washington Avenue project that will take place on January 31, 2022, at 2:00 P.M.

Mr. Forsythe also discussed the possible placement of a mirror or some other signpost to resolve the issue of pulling into traffic on McKinley Avenue next to The Vintage Café. He will be working on a resolution and will update the council later.

Mr. Forsythe updated the council on the Community Crossings Grant for 2022. He advised the council that he would be submitting ten projects at a cost of approximately \$648,000.00.

Clerk-Treasurer Carol Bartley advised the council that Councilmember Brite had voted on the minutes despite being absent and would like the minutes corrected to change his vote to an abstention. Councilmember Beardsley made a motion to accept the correction to the minutes, seconded by Councilmember Sheets. Upon a roll call vote, six ayes were recorded. Councilmember Brite abstained. Motion carried 6-0.

Director of Planning and Housing Initiatives Don Stock informed the council that Kevin Catron would like to step down from his position on the City Plan Commission which created a vacancy. Mr. Stock received an application from Parks Department Superintendent Bart Kraning for the position and he would like the council to appoint him to the commission. Councilmember Palmer made a motion to appoint Mr. Kraning to the commission, seconded by Councilmember Warthan. Upon a roll call vote, seven ayes were recorded. Motion carried 7-0.

ADJOURNMENT:

There being no further business to come before the Council, Councilmember Palmer moved to adjourn, seconded by Councilmember Brite. Mayor Sheets adjourned the meeting at 7:18 P.M.